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SUBJ: TRADE AGREEMENT WITH CUBA

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1. IN ORDER OBTAIN FURTHER DETAILS ON RECENTLY CONCLUDED
SPANISH-CUBAN TRADE AGREEMENT, EMBOFFS DISCUSSED
SUBJECT WITH MFA DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR ECONOMIC AFFAIRS
AND MINISTRY OF COMMERCE OFFICIAL WHO ACCOMPANIED MINISTER
TO HABANA.

2. IN GENERAL, THEY CONFIRMED WHAT WE REPORTED IN REFTTEL,
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BUT BOTH OFFICIALS EMPHASIZED THAT REPORTED \$900 MILLION

CREDIT WAS NOTHING MORE THAN GOS GUARANTEE OF CREDITS TO BE OBTAINED FROM NORMAL COMMERCIAL SOURCES AND THAT THERE WAS "NOT ONE PESETA" OF GOS CREDIT TO CUBA. THEY CONFIRMED THAT CUBA INTERESTED IN OBTAINING CEMENT AND FERTILIZER PLANTS BUT THAT THERE WAS NO AGREED CUBAN SHOPPING LIST. BOTH EXPRESSED DOUBT THAT CUBAN PURCHASES WOULD ACTUALLY REACH \$900 MILLION TOTAL.

3. MOTIVATION ON SPANISH SIDE, ACCORDING THESE OFFICIALS, WAS TO ASSURE SOURCE OF SUGAR WHICH IS IN SUCH SHORT DOMESTIC SUPPLY THAT GOS PROBABLY WOULD HAVE HAD TO CONTEMPLATE RATIONING ABOUT MARCH 1ST IF ADDED SUPPLIES NOT OBTAINED.
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